## **CLAIMS**:

## 1. A compound represented by formula (I):

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
X & 0 & NHR^1 \\
X & N = C - N
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
X & 0 & NHR^1 \\
Y & N = C - N
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
X & 0 & NHR^1 \\
N & NHR^2 & NHR^2
\end{array}$$
(I)

wherein

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X is hydrogen, halogen, trifluoromethyl, lower alkyl, unsubstituted or substituted phenyl, lower alkyl-thio, phenyl-lower alkyl-thio, lower alkyl-sulfonyl, or phenyl-lower alkyl-sulfonyl;

Y is hydrogen, hydroxyl, mercapto, lower alkoxy, lower alkyl-thio, halogen, lower alkyl, unsubstituted or substituted mononuclear aryl, or  $-N(R^2)_2$ ;

R<sup>1</sup> is hydrogen or lower alkyl;

10 each  $R^2$  is, independently,  $-R^7$ ,  $-(CH_2)_m$ -OR<sup>8</sup>,  $-(CH_2)_m$ -NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>10</sup>,  $-(CH_2)_n(CHOR^8)(CHOR^8)_n-CH_2OR^8$ ,  $-(CH_2CH_2O)_m-R^8$ ,  $-(CH_2CH_2O)_m-CH_2CH_2NR^7R^{10}$ ,  $-(CH_2)_n-C(=O)NR^7R^{10}$ ,  $-(CH_2)_n-Z_g-R^7$ ,  $-(CH_2)_m-NR^{10}-CH_2(CHOR^8)(CHOR^8)_n-CH_2OR^8$ ,  $-(CH_2)_n-CO_2R^7$ , or

$$-(CH_2)_n$$
 $Q$ 
 $R^7$ 
 $R^7$ ;

R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup> are each, independently, hydrogen, a group represented by formula (A),
lower alkyl, hydroxy lower alkyl, phenyl, phenyl-lower alkyl, (halophenyl)-lower alkyl,
lower-(alkylphenylalkyl), lower alkoxyphenyl)-lower alkyl, naphthyl-lower alkyl, or pyridyllower alkyl, with the proviso that at least one of R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup> is a group represented by formula
(A):

$$--(C(R^{L})_{2})_{0}-x-(C(R^{L})_{2})_{p}-Q OH$$

$$Q Q OH$$

$$Q Q$$

$$Q Q$$

$$(R^{6})_{4}$$
(A)

wherein

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each R<sup>L</sup> is, independently, -R<sup>7</sup>, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-OR<sup>8</sup>, -O-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-OR<sup>8</sup>,

 $-(CH_2)_n - NR^7R^{10}$ ,  $-O-(CH_2)_m - NR^7R^{10}$ ,  $-(CH_2)_n (CHOR^8)(CHOR^8)_n - CH_2OR^8$ ,

 $-O-(CH_2)_m(CHOR^8)(CHOR^8)_n-CH_2OR^8$ ,  $-(CH_2CH_2O)_m-R^8$ ,

-O-(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>m</sub>-R<sup>8</sup>, -(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>m</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>10</sup>,

 $-O-(CH_2CH_2O)_m-CH_2CH_2NR^7R^{10}$ ,  $-(CH_2)_n-C(=O)NR^7R^{10}$ ,

 $-O-(CH_2)_m-C(=O)NR^7R^{10}, -(CH_2)_n-(Z)_g-R^7, -O-(CH_2)_m-(Z)_g-R^7,$ 

 $-(CH_2)_n$ -NR<sup>10</sup>-CH<sub>2</sub>(CHOR<sup>8</sup>)(CHOR<sup>8</sup>)<sub>n</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>OR<sup>8</sup>,

 $-O-(CH_2)_m-NR^{10}-CH_2(CHOR^8)(CHOR^8)_n-CH_2OR^8$ ,

-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-CO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>7</sup>, -O-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-CO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>7</sup>, -OSO<sub>3</sub>H, -O-glucuronide, -O-glucose, or

$$-O\left(CH_2\right)_{m} O R^7$$
 or  $-(CH_2)_{n} O R^7$ 

each x is, independently, O, NR<sup>7</sup>, C=O, CHOH, C=N-R<sup>6</sup>, or represents a single bond;

each o is, independently, an integer from 0 to 10;

each p is, independently, an integer from 0 to 10;

with the proviso that (a) the sum of o and p in each contiguous chain is from 1 to 10 when x is O, NR<sup>7</sup>, C=O, or C=N-R<sup>6</sup> or (b) that the sum of o and p in each contiguous chain is from 4 to 10 when x represents a single bond;

each  $R^6$  is, independently,  $-R^7$ , -OH,  $-OR^{11}$ ,  $-N(R^7)_2$ ,  $-(CH_2)_m$ - $OR^8$ ,

 $-O-(CH_2)_m-OR^8$ ,  $-(CH_2)_n-NR^7R^{10}$ ,  $-O-(CH_2)_m-NR^7R^{10}$ ,

-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>(CHOR<sup>8</sup>)(CHOR<sup>8</sup>)<sub>n</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>OR<sup>8</sup>, -O-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>(CHOR<sup>8</sup>)(CHOR<sup>8</sup>)<sub>n</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>OR<sup>8</sup>,

-(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>m</sub>-R<sup>8</sup>, -O-(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>m</sub>-R<sup>8</sup>, -(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>m</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>10</sup>

-O- $(CH_2CH_2O)_m$ - $CH_2CH_2NR^7R^{10}$ , - $(CH_2)_n$ - $C(=O)NR^7R^{10}$ ,

-O-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-C(=O)NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>10</sup>,-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-(Z)<sub>g</sub>-R<sup>7</sup>,-O-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-(Z)<sub>g</sub>-R<sup>7</sup>,
-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-NR<sup>10</sup>-CH<sub>2</sub>(CHOR<sup>8</sup>)(CHOR<sup>8</sup>)<sub>n</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>OR<sup>8</sup>,
-O-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-NR<sup>10</sup>-CH<sub>2</sub>(CHOR<sup>8</sup>)(CHOR<sup>8</sup>)<sub>n</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>OR<sup>8</sup>,
-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-CO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>7</sup>, -O-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-CO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>7</sup>, -OSO<sub>3</sub>H, -O-glucuronide, -O-glucose,

$$-O\left(CH_2\right)_m O R^7$$
, or  $-(CH_2)_n O R^7$ ;

wherein when two R<sup>6</sup> are -OR<sup>11</sup> and are located adjacent to each other on a phenyl ring, the alkyl moieties of the two R<sup>6</sup> may be bonded together to form a methylenedioxy group;

each R<sup>7</sup> is, independently, hydrogen or lower alkyl; each R<sup>8</sup> is, independently, hydrogen, lower alkyl, -C(=O)-R<sup>11</sup>, glucuronide, 2-tetrahydropyranyl, or

$$O \longrightarrow OR^{11}$$

$$O \longrightarrow OCOR^{11}$$

$$OCOR^{11}$$

each R<sup>9</sup> is, independently, -CO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>7</sup>, -CON(R<sup>7</sup>)<sub>2</sub>, -SO<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>, or -C(=O)R<sup>7</sup>; each R<sup>10</sup> is, independently, -H, -SO<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>, -CO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>7</sup>, -C(=O)NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>9</sup>, -C(=O)R<sup>7</sup>, or -CH<sub>2</sub>-(CHOH)<sub>n</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>OH; each Z is, independently, CHOH, C(=O), CHNR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>10</sup>, C=NR<sup>10</sup>, or NR<sup>10</sup>; each R<sup>11</sup> is, independently, lower alkyl; each g is, independently, an integer from 1 to 6; each m is, independently, an integer from 1 to 7; each n is, independently, an integer from 0 to 7; each Q is, independently, C-R<sup>5</sup>, C-R<sup>6</sup>, or a nitrogen atom, wherein at most three Q in a ring are nitrogen atoms;

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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and inclusive of all enantiomers, diastereomers, and racemic mixtures thereof.

- 2. The compound of Claim 1, wherein Y is -NH<sub>2</sub>.
- 5 3. The compound of Claim 2, wherein R<sup>2</sup> is hydrogen.
  - 4. The compound of Claim 3, wherein R<sup>1</sup> is hydrogen.
  - 5. The compound of Claim 4, wherein X is chlorine.
  - 6. The compound of Claim 5, wherein R<sup>3</sup> is hydrogen.
  - 7. The compound of Claim 6, wherein each R<sup>L</sup> is hydrogen.
  - 8. The compound of Claim 7, wherein o is 4.
    - 9. The compound of Claim 8, wherein p is 0.
    - 10. The compound of Claim 9, wherein x represents a single bond.
    - 11. The compound of Claim 10, wherein each R<sup>6</sup> is hydrogen.
    - 12. The compound of Claim 11, wherein at most one Q is a nitrogen atom.
- 15 13. The compound of Claim 12, wherein no Q is a nitrogen atom.
  - 14. The compound of Claim 1, wherein

X is halogen;

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Y is  $-N(R^7)_2$ ;

R1 is hydrogen or C1-C3 alkyl; and

20  $R^2$  is  $-R^7$ ,  $-(CH_2)_m$ -OR $^7$ , or  $-(CH_2)_n$ -CO<sub>2</sub>R $^7$ ;

R<sup>3</sup> is a group represented by formula (A); and R<sup>4</sup> is hydrogen, a group represented by formula (A), or lower alkyl;

15. The compound of Claim 14, wherein

X is chloro or bromo;

Y is  $-N(R^7)_2$ ;

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R<sup>2</sup> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub> alkyl;

at most three R<sup>6</sup> are other than hydrogen as defined above;

at most three RL are other than hydrogen as defined above; and

at most 2 Q are nitrogen atoms.

at most 1 Q is a nitrogen atom.

- 16. The compound of Claim 15, wherein Y is -NH<sub>2</sub>.
  - 17. The compound of Claim 16, wherein  $R^4$  is hydrogen; at most one  $R^L$  is other than hydrogen as defined above; at most two  $R^6$  are other than hydrogen as defined above; and
- 18. The compound of Claim 17, wherein x is O, NR<sup>7</sup>, C=O, CHOH, or C=N-R<sup>6</sup>.
- 19. The compound of Claim 17, wherein x represents a single bond.
- 20. The compound of Claim 1, wherein x is O, NR<sup>7</sup>, C=O, CHOH, or C=N-R<sup>6</sup>.
- 21. The compound of Claim 1, wherein x represents a single bond.
- 20 22. The compound of Claim 1, wherein each R<sup>6</sup> is hydrogen.
  - 23. The compound of Claim 1, wherein at most two R<sup>6</sup> are other than hydrogen as defined in Claim 1.

- 24. The compound of Claim 1, wherein one R<sup>6</sup> is other than hydrogen as defined in Claim 1.
  - 25. The compound of Claim 1, wherein one R<sup>6</sup> is -OH.
  - 26. The compound of Claim 1, wherein each R<sup>L</sup> is hydrogen.
- 5 27. The compound of Claim 1, wherein at most two R<sup>L</sup> are other than hydrogen as defined in Claim 1.
  - 28. The compound of Claim 1, wherein one R<sup>L</sup> is other than hydrogen as defined in Claim 1.
- 29. The compound of Claim 1, wherein x represents a single bond and the sum of o and p is 4 to 6.
  - 30. The compound of Claim 1, which is represented by the formula

$$\begin{array}{c|c} CI & N & NH \\ NH & NH \end{array}$$

- 31. The compound of Claim 30, which is in the form of a pharmaceutically acceptable salt.
  - 32. The compound of Claim 31, which is in the form of a hydrochloride salt.
- 15 33. The compound of Claim 1, which is represented by the formula

- 34. The compound of Claim 33, which is in the form of a pharmaceutically acceptable salt.
  - 35. The compound of Claim 34, which is in the form of a hydrochloride salt.
  - 36. The compound of Claim 1, which is represented by the formula

- 5 37. The compound of Claim 36, which is in the form of a pharmaceutically acceptable salt.
  - 38. The compound of Claim 37, which is in the form of a hydrochloride salt.
  - 39. The compound of Claim 1, which is represented by the formula

$$\begin{array}{c|c} Cl & N & NH & N & OF \\ & NH & NH & NH & NH & NH_2 & NH_2$$

- 40. The compound of Claim 39, which is in the form of a pharmaceutically acceptable salt.
  - 41. The compound of Claim 40, which is in the form of a hydrochloride salt.
  - 42. The compound of Claim 1, which is represented by the formula

$$\begin{array}{c|c} Cl & NH & OH \\ NH & NH & NH \end{array}$$

- 5 43. The compound of Claim 42, which is in the form of a pharmaceutically acceptable salt.
  - 44. The compound of Claim 43, which is in the form of a hydrochloride salt.
  - 45. The compound of Claim 1, which is represented by the formula

- 46. The compound of Claim 45, which is in the form of a pharmaceutically acceptable salt.
  - 47. The compound of Claim 46, which is in the form of a hydrochloride salt.
- 48. The compound of Claim 1, which is in the form of a pharmaceutically acceptable salt.
  - 49. A pharmaceutical composition, comprising the compound of Claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

- 50. A method of promoting hydration of mucosal surfaces, comprising: administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to a mucosal surface of a subject.
- 51. A method of restoring mucosal defense, comprising:
  topically administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to a mucosal surface of a subject in need thereof.
  - 52. A method of blocking sodium channels, comprising: contacting sodium channels with an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1.
- 53. A method of treating chronic bronchitis, comprising:
  administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to a subject in need thereof.
- 54. A method of treating cystic fibrosis, comprising:

  administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to a subject in need thereof.

- 55. A method of treating sinusitis, comprising:
  administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to a subject in need thereof.
- 56. A method of treating vaginal dryness, comprising:
  administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to the vaginal tract of a subject in need thereof.
  - 57. A method of treating dry eye, comprising:
    administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to the eye of a subject in need thereof.
- 58. A method of promoting ocular hydration, comprising:administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to the eye of a subject.
  - 59. A method of promoting corneal hydration, comprising: administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to the eye of a subject.
  - 60. A method of promoting mucus clearance in mucosal surfaces, comprising: administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to a mucosal surface of a subject.

- 61. A method of treating Sjogren's disease, comprising:
  administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to a subject in need thereof.
- 62. A method of treating distal intestinal obstruction syndrome, comprising: administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to a subject in need thereof.

- 63. A method of treating dry skin, comprising: administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to the skin of a subject in need thereof.
- 64. A method of treating esophagitis, comprising:

  administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to a subject in need thereof.
  - 65. A method of treating dry mouth (xerostomia), comprising: administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to the mouth of a subject in need thereof.
- 66. A method of treating nasal dehydration, comprising:

  administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to the nasal passages of a subject in need thereof.
  - 67. The method of Claim 66, wherein the nasal dehydration is brought on by administering dry oxygen to the subject.

- 68. A method of preventing ventilator-induced pneumonia, comprising: administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to a subject on a ventilator.
- 69. A method of treating asthma, comprising:

  administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to a subject in need
  thereof.
  - 70. A method of treating primary ciliary dyskinesia, comprising: administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to a subject in need thereof.

- 71. A method of treating otitis media, comprising:
  administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to a subject in need thereof.
- 72. A method of inducing sputum for diagnostic purposes, comprising:
  administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to a subject in need thereof.
  - 73. A method of treating chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, comprising: administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to a subject in need thereof.

- 74. A method of treating emphysema, comprising: administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to a subject in need thereof.
- 75. A method of treating pneumonia, comprising:
  administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to a subject in need thereof.
  - 76. A method of treating constipation, comprising: administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to a subject in need thereof.
- 77. The method of Claim 76, wherein the compound is administered orally or via a suppository or enema.
  - 78. A method of treating chronic diverticulitis, comprising: administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to a subject in need thereof.

79. The present invention also provides a method of treating rhinosinusitis, comprising:

administering an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 to a subject in need thereof.

- 5 80. A composition, comprising: the compound of Claim 1; and a P2Y2 inhibitor.
  - \*81. A composition, comprising: the compound of Claim 1; and a bronchodilator.